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THE Rules and By-Laws in the Manual of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, originated not in solemn conclave as in ancient Sanhedrim. They were not arbitrary opinions nor dictatorial demands, such as one person might impose on another. They were impelled by a power not one's own, were written at different dates, and as the occasion required. They sprang from necessity, the logic of events, — from the immediate demand for them as a help that must be supplied to maintain the dignity and defence of our cause; hence their simple, scientific basis, and detail so requisite to demonstrate genuine Christian Science, and which will do for the race what absolute doctrines destined for future generations might not accomplish.

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Tenets

of The Mother Church
The First Church of Christ, Scientist.

To be signed by those uniting with The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

1. As adherents of Truth, we take the inspired Word of the Bible as our sufficient guide to eternal Life.

2. We acknowledge and adore one supreme and infinite God. We acknowledge His Son, one Christ; the Holy Ghost or divine Comforter; and man in God's image and likeness.

3. We acknowledge God's forgiveness of sin in the destruction of sin and the spiritual understanding that casts out evil as unreal. But the belief in sin is punished so long as the belief lasts.

4. We acknowledge Jesus' atonement as the evidence of divine, efficacious Love, unfolding man's unity with God through Christ Jesus the Wayshower;

and we acknowledge that man is saved through Christ, through Truth, Life, and Love as demonstrated by the Galilean Prophet in healing the sick and overcoming sin and death.

5. We acknowledge that the crucifixion of Jesus and his resurrection served to uplift faith to understand eternal Life, even the allness of Soul, Spirit, and the nothingness of matter.

6. And we solemnly promise to watch, and pray for that Mind to be in us which was also in Christ Jesus; to do unto others as we would have them do unto us; and to be merciful, just, and pure.

MARY BAKER G. EDDY.

Historical Sketch.

IN the spring of 1879, a little band of earnest seekers after Truth, went into deliberations over forming a church without creeds, to be called the "CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST." They were members of evangelical churches, and students of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, in Christian Science, and were known as "Christian Scientists."

At a meeting of the Christian Scientist Association, April 19, 1879, on motion of Mrs. Eddy, it was voted, — To organize a church designed to commemorate the word and works of our Master, which should reinstate primitive Christianity and its lost element of healing.

Mrs. Eddy was appointed on the committee to draft the Tenets of the Mother Church — the chief cornerstone whereof is, that Christian Science, as taught and demonstrated by our Master, casts out error, heals the sick and restores the lost Israel:

for "the stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner."

The charter for the Church was obtained June, 1879, and the same month the members, twenty-six in number, extended a call to Mary Baker G. Eddy to become their pastor. She accepted the call, and was ordained A. D. 1881. Although walking through deep waters, the little Church went steadily on, increasing in numbers, and at every epoch saying,

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

On the twenty-third day of September, 1892, at the request of Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy, twelve of her students and church members met and reorganized, under her jurisdiction, the Christian Science Church and named it, THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

At this meeting twenty others of Mrs. Eddy's students and members of her former Church were elected members of this Church, — those with others that have since been elected were known as "First Members." The Church Tenets, Rules, and By-Laws, as prepared by Mrs. Eddy, were adopted. A By-Law adopted March 17, 1903, changed the title of "First Members" to "Executive Members." (See Article V, Section 1.)

THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, IN BOSTON, MASS., is designed to be built on the rock, Christ; even the understanding and demonstration of divine Truth, Life, and Love, healing and saving the world from sin, and death; — thus to reflect in some degree the Church Universal and Triumphant.

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Church By-Laws.

Church By-Laws.

CHURCH OFFICERS.

Article I.

NAMES, ELECTION, AND DUTIES.

Names. Section 1. The Church officers shall consist of a President, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and two Readers.

President. Sect. 2. The President shall be elected, subject to the approval of the Pastor Emeritus, by the Board of Directors[1] on Monday preceding the annual meeting of the Church. The President shall hold office for one year, and the same person is eligible for election but once in three years.

Clerk and Treasurer. Sect. 3. The term of office for the Clerk and the Treasurer of this Church (also for the editors and the manager

[1] See under "Deed of Trust" for incorporation of the "Christian Science Board of Directors."

of The Christian Science Publishing Society, and the manager of the general Committee on Publication in Boston) is one year each, dating from the time of election to office. Incumbents, who have served one year or more, may be re-elected, or new officers elected, at the annual meeting held for this purpose, by a unanimous vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors and the consent of the Pastor Emeritus given in her own handwriting.

Readers. SECT. 4. Every third year new Readers shall be elected for The Mother Church by the Board of Directors, which shall inform the Pastor Emeritus of the names of its candidates before they are elected, and if she objects, said candidates shall not be chosen. The Directors shall fix the salaries of the Readers.

Directors. SECT. 5. The Christian Science Board of Directors shall consist of five members. They shall fill a vacancy occurring on that Board after the candidate is approved by the Pastor Emeritus. A majority vote or the request of Mrs. Eddy shall dismiss a member. Members shall neither report the discussions of this Board, nor those with Mrs. Eddy.

Publishing Buildings. SECT. 6. It shall be the duty of the Christian Science Board of Directors to provide a suitable building for the publication of *The Christian Science Journal, Christian Science Sentinel, Der Herold der Christian Science*, and all other Christian Science literature published by The Christian Science Publishing Society. It shall also be the duty of the Christian Science Board of Directors to provide suitable rooms, conveniently and pleasantly located in the same building, for the publication and sale of the books of which Mary Baker G. Eddy is, or may be, the author, and of other literature connected therewith.

No Trusteeships nor Syndicates. SECT. 7. No Boards of Trustees nor Syndicates shall ever be formed by, or between, the members of this Church, or shall exist in The Mother Church, except the Trusteeships be constituted by the Pastor Emeritus.

Duties of Church Officers. SECT. 8. Law constitutes government, and disobedience to the laws of The Mother Church must ultimate in annulling its Tenets and By-Laws. Without a proper system of government and form of action, nations, individuals, and religion are un-

protected; hence the necessity of this By-Law and the warning of Holy Writ: "That servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes."

It is the duty of the Christian Science Board of Directors to watch and make sure that the officers of this Church perform the functions of their several offices promptly and well. If an officer fails to fulfil all the obligations of his office, the Board of Directors shall immediately call a meeting and notify this officer either to resign his place or to perform his office faithfully; then failing to do either, said officer shall be dismissed from this Church, and his dismissal shall be written on the Church records.

It is the duty of any member of this Church, and especially of one who has been or who is the First Reader of a church, to inform the Board of Directors of the failure of the Committee on Publication or of any other officer in this Church to perform his official duties. A Director shall not make known the name of the complainant.

If the Christian Science Board of Directors fails to fulfil the requirements of this By-Law,

and a member of this Church or the Pastor Emeritus shall complain thereof to the Clerk and the complaint be found valid, the Directors shall resign their office or perform their functions faithfully. Failing to do thus, the Clerk of this Church shall call a meeting of the Executive Members, and their two-thirds vote, with the consent of the Pastor Emeritus, shall elect five suitable members of this Church to fill the vacancy. The salary of the members of the Board of Directors shall be at present one thousand dollars each annually.

Article II.

DUTIES OF CLERK.

Reading Communications. Section 1. When the Pastor Emeritus sends a letter or message to the Clerk of The Mother Church to be read at a meeting of the Executive Members, it shall be his imperative duty to read said communication at the place and time specified.

Understanding Communications. Sect. 2. If the Clerk of this Church shall receive a communication from the Pastor Emeritus which he does not fully understand, he shall inform her of this fact before presenting it to the Church

and obtain a clear understanding of the matter, — then act in accordance therewith.

Article III.

READERS OF THE MOTHER CHURCH.

Election. Section 1. The Readers for The Mother Church shall be a man and a woman, one to read the Bible, and one to read Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures.

Eligibility. Sect. 2. The Directors shall select intelligible Readers who are exemplary Christians and good English scholars. They must be members of this denomination and Executive Members of this Church.

First Reader's Residence. Sect. 3. Unless Mrs. Eddy requests otherwise, the First Reader of The Mother Church shall occupy, during his term of Readership, the house of the Pastor Emeritus, No. 385 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston. The Board of Directors shall pay from the Church funds the taxes and rent on this property; the Board shall attend to the insurance before it expires, suitably furnish the house, and keep the property in good repair so long as Mrs. Eddy does not occupy the house

herself and the occupants are satisfactory to her.

Article IV.

DUTIES OF READERS OF THE MOTHER CHURCH AND OF ITS BRANCH CHURCHES.

Moral Obligations. Section 1. The Readers of The Mother Church and of all its branch churches must devote a suitable portion of their time to preparation for the reading of the Sunday lesson, — a lesson on which the prosperity of Christian Science largely depends. They must keep themselves unspotted from the world, — uncontaminated with evil, — that the mental atmosphere they exhale shall promote health and holiness, even that spiritual *animus* so universally needed.

First Readers' Duties. Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of the First Readers to conduct the principal part of the Sunday services, and the Wednesday evening meetings.

Suitable Selections. Sect. 3. The First Readers shall read, as a part of the Wednesday evening services, selections from the Scriptures, and from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures.

Order of Reading. Sect. 4. The First Readers in the Christian Science churches shall read

the correlative texts in SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES; and the Second Readers shall read the BIBLE texts. The readings from the SCRIPTURES shall precede the readings from SCIENCE AND HEALTH. The Readers shall not read from copies or manuscripts, but from the books.

Naming Book and Author. SECT. 5. The Readers of SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, before commencing to read from this book, shall distinctly announce the full title of the book and give the author's name. Such announcement shall be made but once during the lesson.

Readers in Branch Churches. SECT. 6. These Readers shall be members of The Mother Church. They shall read understandingly and be well educated. They shall make no remarks explanatory of the LESSON-SERMON at any time, but they shall read all notices and remarks that may be printed in the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE QUARTERLY. This By-Law applies to Readers in all the branch churches.

Enforcement of By-Laws. SECT. 7. It shall be the duty of every member of The Mother Church, who is a First Reader in a Church of Christ, Scientist, to enforce the discipline and by-laws of the church over which he presides.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS.

Article V.

TITLE, QUALIFICATIONS, AND NUMBER.

Title. Section 1. The members, known as First Members prior to March 17, 1903, from and after that date shall bear the title and be known as Executive Members of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

Qualifications. Sect. 2. The Executive Members of this Church shall be persons who have proven themselves, in successive years, strict adherents to the doctrines and practice inculcated and set forth in Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures.

Number. Sect. 3. If the Executive Members become less than fifty in number, they shall regain this number. Their number shall not exceed one hundred.

Residence. Sect. 4. The Executive Members, who are residents of the United States, shall live within five hundred miles of Boston, Mass.

Article VI.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS AND ELECTION.

Church Business. Section 1. The business of The Mother Church shall be transacted by its Christian Science Board of Directors. The manager of the general Committee on Publication in the United States shall order no special action to be taken by said Committee that is not named in the Manual of this Church without consulting with the full Board of Directors of The Mother Church and receiving the written consent of said Board.

The Executive Members of this Church shall continue to convene annually at the Communion season, but they shall not be present at the business meetings of the Board of Directors.

Nomination and Election. Sect. 2. Members of this Church become Executive Members after being nominated in writing by the Pastor Emeritus and unanimously elected by the Christian Science Board of Directors.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

Article VII.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Believe in Christian Science. Section 1. To become a member of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., the applicant must be a believer in the doctrines of Christian Science, according to the platform and teaching contained in the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy. The Bible, together with Science and Health and other works by Mrs. Eddy, shall be his only textbooks for self-instruction in Christian Science, and for teaching and practising metaphysical healing.

Free from Other Denominations. Sect. 2. This Church will receive a member of another Church of Christ, Scientist, but not a church-member from a different denomination until that membership is dissolved.

Children when Twelve Years Old. SECT. 3. Children, who have arrived at the age of twelve years, who are approved and whose applications are countersigned by one of Mrs. Eddy's loyal students, by an Executive Member, a Director, or by a student of the Board of Education, may be admitted to membership with The Mother Church.

ARTICLE VIII.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Students of the College. SECTION 1. Applications for membership with The Mother Church from students of the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, who studied with Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy, shall be signed by the Christian Science Board of Directors as evidence of the loyalty of the applicants.

Other Students. SECT. 2. Applicants for membership, who have not studied Christian Science with Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy, can unite with this Church only by approval from students of Mrs. Eddy, loyal to the teachings of the textbook, SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, or from members of The Mother

Church, as provided in Article IX, Sect. 2, of these By-Laws.

Students' Pupils. SECT. 3. Applications for membership with The Mother Church, coming from pupils of loyal students who have taken the Primary or Normal Course at the Massachusetts Metaphysical College or in the Board of Education, or from pupils of those who have passed an examination by the Board of Education, shall have the approval and signature of their teachers, except in such cases as are provided for in Article VIII, Sect. 4.

Exceptional Cases. SECT. 4. Loyal Christian Scientists whose teachers are deceased, absent, or disloyal, — or those whose teachers, for insufficient cause, refuse to indorse their applications for membership with The Mother Church, — can apply to the Clerk of this Church, and present to him a recommendation signed by three members thereof in good standing, after which, the unanimous vote of the Board of Directors may admit said applicant to membership.

Addressed to Clerk. SECT. 5. All applications for membership must be addressed to the Clerk of the Church.

Notice of Rejection. SECT. 6. If an applica-

tion for membership with The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., is rejected, the Clerk of the Church shall send to the applicant a notice of such rejection; but neither the Clerk nor the Church shall be obliged to report the cause for rejection.

Article IX.

Recommendation and Election.

Pupils of Normal Students. Section 1. One Normal student cannot recommend the pupil of another Normal student, so long as both are loyal to their Leader and to the Christian Science textbook, except as provided for in Article VIII, Sect. 4.

Members of The Mother Church. Sect. 2. Only members of The Mother Church are qualified to approve for membership individuals who are known to them to be Christians, and faithful, loyal students of the textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures. If the approver is not a loyal student of Mrs. Eddy, a Director of this Church, an Executive Member, or a student of the Board of Education who holds a degree, the application must be countersigned by one of these.

Election. SECT. 3. Applicants for membership in this Church, whose applications are correctly prepared, may be elected by majority vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors at the semi-annual meetings held for this purpose.

ARTICLE X.

DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

Per Capita Tax. SECTION 1. Every member of The Mother Church shall pay annually a per capita tax of not less than one dollar, which shall be forwarded each year to the Church Treasurer.

Church Periodicals. SECT. 2. It shall be the privilege and duty of every member, who can afford it, to subscribe for the periodicals which are the organs of this Church; and it shall be the duty of the Directors to see that these periodicals are ably edited and kept abreast of the times.

Duty to Patients. SECT. 3. If a member of this Church has a patient whom he does not heal, and whose case he cannot fully diagnose, he may consult with an M.D. on the anatomy involved. And it shall be the privilege of a Chris-

tian Scientist to confer with an M.D. on Ontology, or the Science of being.

Stewardship. SECT. 4. The individual in charge of Mrs. Eddy's Room in The Mother Church must be a member of this Church, and if called for, it shall be her duty to go to Mrs. Eddy's home and remain so long as the latter shall desire it. Mrs. Eddy shall pay this member the same sum and on the same conditions named in By-law Article XXII, Sect. 10, "Opportunity for Serving the Leader." Breaking this By-law shall excommunicate a member from this Church.

ARTICLE XI.

PROBATIONARY MEMBERSHIP.

Members who once Withdrew. SECTION 1. Individuals, who have heretofore been members of this Church, or were members of the Church of Christ, Scientist, organized in 1879 by Mary Baker G. Eddy, but who have voluntarily withdrawn, may be received into this Church on one year's probation, provided they are willing and anxious to live according to its requirements and

make application for membership according to its By-Laws. If, at the expiration of said one year, they are found worthy, they shall be received into full membership, but if not found worthy their applications shall be void.

Members once Dismissed. SECT. 2. A full member or a probationary member, who has been excommunicated once, and who afterward, when sufficient time has elapsed thoroughly to test his sincerity, gives due evidence of having genuinely repented and of being radically reformed, shall be eligible to probationary membership upon a unanimous vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors.

Ineligible for Probation. SECT. 3. If a member has been twice notified of his excommunication, he shall not again be received into this Church.

Duty to God. SECT. 4. Members of this Church, who turn their attention from the divine Principle of being to personality, sending gifts, congratulatory dispatches or letters to the Pastor Emeritus on Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, or Easter, break a rule of this Church and are amenable therefor.

MEETINGS.

Article XII.

REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Annual Meetings. Section 1. The regular meetings of The Mother Church shall be held annually, on the Tuesday following the Communion Sunday in June of each year. These assemblies shall be for the purpose of listening to the reports of Treasurer, Clerk, and Committees, and general reports from the Field.

Meetings of Board of Directors. Sect. 2. The annual meeting of the Christian Science Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing officers and other business, shall be held on Monday preceding the annual meeting of the Church. Regular meetings for the purpose of electing candidates to membership with The Mother Church, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before these meetings, shall be held on the Tuesday preceding the Communion Sunday in June, and on the first Tuesday in November of each year. Special meetings may be held at any time upon the call of the Clerk.

Annual Meetings of Executive Members. SECT. 3. The regular meetings of the Executive Members shall be held annually in June, on the Saturday preceding the Communion Sunday.

Special Meetings. SECT. 4. Special meetings of the Executive Members shall be called by the Clerk, upon a request from the Pastor Emeritus. For this purpose he is authorized to use the mail service, also the telegraph and telephone if necessary.

Called only by Clerk. SECT. 5. A member of The Mother Church, who is not the Clerk thereof, shall not appoint a meeting of the Executive Members. Only the Clerk appoints said meetings in accordance with the By-Laws of this Church. Before calling a meeting of the members of this Church (excepting its regular sessions), it shall be the duty of the Clerk to inform the Board of Directors and the Pastor Emeritus of his intention, and to state definitely the purpose for which the members are to convene. The Clerk must have the consent of this Board and the Pastor Emeritus, before he can call said meeting.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Article XIII.

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE PASTOR.

Ordination. Section 1. I, Mary Baker G. Eddy, ordain the Bible, and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, Pastor over The Mother Church, — The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., — and they will continue to preach for this Church and the world.

The Lesson-Sermon. Sect. 2. The subject of the Lesson-Sermon in the morning service of The Mother Church, and of the branch Churches of Christ, Scientist, shall be repeated at the other services on Sunday. The correlative Biblical texts in the Lesson-Sermon shall extend from Genesis to Revelation.

Article XIV.

READING IN PUBLIC.

Announcing Author's Name. Section 1. To pour into the ears of listeners the sacred revelations of Christian Science indiscriminately, or without characterizing their origin and thus distinguishing them from the writings of authors who think at random on this subject, is to lose some weight in the scale of right thinking. Therefore it is the duty of every member of this Church, when publicly reading or quoting from the books or poems of our Pastor Emeritus, first to announce the name of the author. Members shall also instruct their pupils to adopt the aforenamed method for the benefit of our Cause.

Article XV.

WELCOMING STRANGERS.

The Leader's Welcome. Section 1. Mrs. Eddy welcomes to her seats in the Church, persons of all sects and denominations, who come to listen to the Sunday sermon and are not otherwise provided with seats.

The Local Members' Welcome. SECT. 2. It shall be the duty and privilege of the local members of The Mother Church to give their seats, if necessary, to strangers who may come to attend the morning services.

ARTICLE XVI.

SERVICES UNINTERRUPTED.

Continued Throughout the Year. SECTION 1. The services of The Mother Church shall be continued twelve months each year. One meeting on Sunday during the months of July and August is sufficient. A Christian Scientist is not fatigued by prayer, by reading the Scriptures or the Christian Science textbook. Amusement or idleness is weariness. Truth and Love rest the weary and heavy laden.

Easter Observances. SECT. 2. In the United States there shall be no special observances, festivities, nor gifts at the Easter season by members of The Mother Church. Gratitude and love should abide in every heart each day of all the years. Those sacred words of our beloved Master, "Let the dead bury their dead," and "Follow thou me," appeal to daily Christian endeavors for the living whereby to exemplify our risen Lord.

GUARDIANSHIP OF CHURCH FUNDS.

Article XVII.

Church Edifice a Testimonial. Section 1. Whereas, on March 20, 1895, the Christian Science Board of Directors, in behalf of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass., presented to Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy their church edifice as a Testimonial of this Church's love and gratitude, and she, with grateful acknowledgments thereof, declined to receive this munificent gift, she now understands the financial situation between the Christian Science Board of Directors and said Church to be as follows: —

Financial Situation. Sect. 2. The Christian Science Board of Directors owns the church edifices, with the land whereon they stand, legally; and the church members own the aforesaid premises and buildings, beneficially. After the first church was built, the balance of the building funds, which remained in the hands of the Directors, belonged to the Church, and not solely

to the Directors. The balance of the church building funds, which can be spared after the debts are paid, should remain on safe deposit, to be hereafter used for the benefit of this Church, as the right occasion may call for it. The following indicates the proper management of the church funds: —

Report of Directors. SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the Christian Science Board of Directors to have the books of the Church Treasurer audited semi-annually, and to report at the annual church meeting the amount of funds which the Church has on hand, the amount of its indebtedness and of its expenditures for the last year.

Finance Committee. SECT. 4. There shall be a Committee on Finance which shall consist of three Executive Members of this Church in good standing. Its members shall be appointed annually by the Christian Science Board of Directors and with the consent of the Pastor Emeritus. They shall hold quarterly meetings and keep themselves thoroughly informed as to the real estate owned by this Church and the amount of funds received by the Treasurer of The Mother Church, who is

individually responsible for said funds. They shall have the books of the Christian Science Board of Directors and the books of the Church Treasurer audited annually by an honest, competent accountant. The books are to be audited on May first.

Prior to paying bills against the Church, the Treasurer of this Church shall submit them all to said committee for examination. This committee shall decide thereupon by a unanimous vote, and its endorsement of the bills shall render them payable.

If it be found that the church funds have not been properly managed, it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors and the Treasurer to be individually responsible for the performance of their several offices satisfactorily, and for the proper distribution of the funds of which they are the custodians.

God's Requirement. SECT. 5. God requires wisdom, economy, and brotherly love to characterize all the proceedings of the members of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Provision for the Future. SECT. 6. In case of any possible future deviation from duty, the

Committee on Finance shall visit the Board of Directors, and, in a Christian spirit and manner, demand that each member thereof comply with the By-Laws of the Church. If any Director fails to heed this admonition, he may be dismissed from office and the vacancy supplied by the Board.

Debt and Duty. SECT. 7. The Mother Church shall not be made legally responsible for the debts of individuals except such debts as are specified in its By-Laws. Donations from this Church shall not be made without the written consent of the Pastor Emeritus. Also important movements of the manager of the Committee on Publication shall be sanctioned by the Board of Directors and be subject to the approval of Mary Baker G. Eddy. (See Article VI, Sect. 1.)

Emergencies. SECT. 8. The Treasurer, personally, or through the Clerk of the Church, may pay from the funds of the Church bills of immediate necessity not exceeding $200 for any one transaction, and he may keep on deposit the sum of $500 with the Clerk, as a petty cash fund, to be used by him for the payment of such bills. Such payments shall be reported,

on the first of the following month, to the Board of Directors and the Committee on Finance, for their approval.

Committee on Business. SECT. 9. The Christian Science Board of Directors shall elect annually a Committee on Business, which shall consist of not less than three loyal members of The Mother Church, who shall transact promptly and efficiently such business as Mrs. Eddy, the Directors, or the Committee on Publication shall commit to it. While the members of this Committee are engaged in the transaction of the business assigned to them they shall be paid from the Church funds.

TEACHING CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Article XVIII.

TEACHERS.

Motive in Teaching. Section 1. Teaching Christian Science shall not be a question of money, but of morals and religion, healing and uplifting the race.

Care of Pupils. Sect. 2. Christian Scientists who are teachers shall carefully select for pupils such only as have good past records and promising proclivities toward Christian Science. The teacher shall hold himself morally obligated to promote the progress of his pupils, not only during the class term but after it, and to watch well that they prove sound in sentiment and practical in Christian Science. He shall persistently and patiently counsel his pupils in conformity with the unerring wisdom and law of God, and shall enjoin them habitually to study the Scriptures and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures.

Defense against Malpractice. SECT. 3. Teachers shall instruct their pupils how to defend themselves against mental malpractice, never to return evil for evil, but to know the truth that makes free, and thus to be a law, not unto others, but to themselves.

Number of Pupils. SECT. 4. The teachers of Christian Science shall teach but one class yearly, which class shall consist of not more than thirty pupils. After 1907, the Board of Education shall have one class triennially, a Normal class not exceeding thirty pupils.

Pupil's Tuition. SECT. 5. A student's price for teaching Christian Science shall not exceed $50.00 per pupil.

Associations. SECT. 6. Teachers' associations shall convene annually, and their pupils shall be guided by the BIBLE, and SCIENCE AND HEALTH.

A Single Field of Labor. SECT. 7. A loyal teacher of Christian Science shall take entire charge of his pupils. He shall not teach a loyal teacher's pupil except it be in the Board of Education. Outside of this Board each student

occupies his own field of labor. Pupils may visit each other's churches, and by invitation attend each other's associations.

Change of Location. SECT. 8. Faithfully to fulfil the solemn responsibilities of a teacher of Christian Science or of a Reader, a teacher or Reader should remain with his own pupils, association, and church. But if, for sufficient cause or to supply a need of the Pastor Emeritus, a teacher permanently changes his location, he may select a member of his church to guide his pupils.

Caring for Pupils of Strayed Members. SECT. 9. A loyal teacher of Christian Science may teach and receive into his association the pupils of another member of this Church who has so strayed as justly to be deemed, under the provisions of Article XXV, Sect. 1, not ready to lead his pupils.

Teachers must have Certificates. SECT. 10. A member of this Church shall not teach pupils Christian Science unless he has a certificate to show that he has been taught by Mrs. Eddy or has taken a Normal Course at the Massachusetts Metaphysical College or in the Board of Education.

Article XIX.

PUPILS.

Authorized to Teach. Section 1. After a student's pupil has been duly authorized to be a teacher of Christian Science, he is no longer under the jurisdiction of his former teacher.

Without Teachers. Sect. 2. Those beloved brethren, who are distant from The Mother Church and whose teachers have left them, can elect Readers of their churches who are ready for this high calling, and continue the meetings of their associations.

Basis for Teaching. Sect. 3. The teachers of the Normal class shall teach from the chapter "Recapitulation" in Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, and from the Christian Science Platform, beginning on page 330 of the revised editions since 1902, and they shall teach nothing contrary thereto. The teachers of the Primary class shall instruct their pupils from the said chapter on "Recapitulation" only.

The Sunday School. SECT. 4. Pupils may be received in the Sunday School classes of any Church of Christ, Scientist, up to the age of twenty years, and by transfer from another Church of Christ, Scientist, up to that age, but no pupil shall remain in the Sunday School of any Church of Christ, Scientist, after reaching the age of twenty. None except the officers, teachers, and pupils should attend the Sunday School exercises.

Teaching the Children. SECT. 5. The Sabbath School children shall be taught the Scriptures, and they shall be instructed according to their understanding or ability to grasp the simpler meanings of the divine Principle that they are taught.

Subject for Lessons. SECT. 6. The first lessons of the children should be the Ten Commandments (Exodus, 20 : 3–17), the Lord's Prayer (Matt. 6 : 9–13), and its Spiritual Interpretation by Mary Baker G. Eddy, Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5 : 3–12). The next lessons consist of such questions and answers as are adapted to a juvenile class, and may be found in the Christian Science Quarterly Lessons, read in Church services. The instruction given by the children's teachers must not deviate from the absolute Christian Science contained in their textbook.

GUIDANCE OF MEMBERS.

Article XX.

A Rule for Motives and Acts. Section 1. Neither animosity nor mere personal attachment should impel the motives or acts of the members of The Mother Church. In Science, divine Love alone governs man; and a Christian Scientist reflects the sweet amenities of Love, in rebuking sin, in true brotherliness, charitableness, and forgiveness. The members of this Church should daily watch and pray to be delivered from all evil, from prophesying, judging, condemning, counseling, influencing or being influenced erroneously.

To Be Read in Church. Sect. 2. The above Church Rule shall be read in The Mother Church and in the branch churches by the First Reader on the first Sunday of each month. On Communion day the Church Tenets are to be read.

Christ Jesus the Ensample. Sect. 3. He who dated the Christian era is the Ensample in

Christian Science. Careless comparison or irreverent reference to Christ Jesus is abnormal in a Christian Scientist, and is prohibited. When it is necessary to show the great gulf between Christian Science and theosophy, hypnotism, or spiritualism, do it, but without hard words. The wise man saith, "A soft answer turneth away wrath." However despitefully used and misrepresented by the churches or the press, in return employ no violent invective, and do good unto your enemies when the opportunity occurs. A departure from this rule disqualifies a member for office in the Church or on the Board of Lectureship, and renders this member liable to discipline and, possibly, dismissal from The Mother Church.

Daily Prayer. SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of every member of this Church to pray each day: "Thy kingdom come;" let the reign of divine Truth, Life, and Love be established in me, and rule out of me all sin; and may Thy Word enrich the affections of all mankind, and govern them!

Prayer in Church. SECT. 5. The prayers in Christian Science churches shall be offered for the congregations.

Alertness to Duty. SECT. 6. It shall be the duty of every member of this Church to defend himself daily against aggressive mental suggestion, and not be made to forget nor to neglect his duty to God, to his Leader, and to mankind. By his works he shall be judged, — and justified or condemned.

One Christ. SECT. 7. In accordance with the Christian Science textbooks, — the BIBLE, and SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, — and in accord with all of Mrs. Eddy's teachings, members of this Church shall neither entertain a belief nor signify a belief in more than one Christ, even that Christ whereof the Scripture beareth testimony.

No Malpractice. SECT. 8. Members will not intentionally or knowingly mentally malpractise, inasmuch as Christian Science can only be practised according to the Golden Rule: "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." (Matt. 7: 12.)

Charity to All. SECT. 9. While members of this Church do not believe in the doctrines of theosophy, hypnotism, or spiritualism, they cherish no enmity toward those who do believe in such doctrines, and will not harm them. But whenever God calls a member to bear testimony

to Truth and to defend the cause of Christ, he shall do it with love and without fear.

Obedience Required. SECT. 10. It shall be the duty of the officers of this Church, of the Editors of the *Christian Science Journal*, *Sentinel*, and *Der Herold*, of the members of the Committees on Publication, of the Trustees of The Christian Science Publishing Society, and of the Board of Education promptly to comply with any written order, signed by Mary Baker G. Eddy, which applies to their official functions. Disobedience to this By-Law shall be sufficient cause for the removal of the offending member from office.

The vacancy shall be supplied by a majority vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors, and the candidate shall be subject to the approval of Mary Baker G. Eddy.

A Member not a Leader. SECT. 11. A member of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., shall not be called Leader by members of this Church, when this term is used in connection with Christian Science.

Testimonials. SECT. 12. "Glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's"

(St. Paul). Testimony in regard to the healing of the sick is highly important. More than a mere rehearsal of blessings, it scales the pinnacle of praise and illustrates the demonstration of Christ, "who healeth all thy diseases" (Psalm 103:3). This testimony, however, shall not include a description of symptoms or of suffering, though the generic name of the disease may be indicated. This By-Law applies to testimonials which appear in the periodicals and to those which are given at the Wednesday evening meeting.

Use of Initials "C. S." SECT. 13. A member of The Mother Church shall not place the initials "C. S." after his name on circulars, cards, or leaflets, which advertise his business or profession, except as a Christian Science practitioner.

The Promotion of Peace. SECT. 14. It shall be the duty of the members of the Mother Church and of its branch churches to encourage and render such aid as they can individually to promote and *establish* peace on earth and good will toward men, but to do this noble work it is not *needful* to form *organizations* of *the* members of Christian Science churches, nor to adopt by-laws *upon this subject to govern members.*

DISCIPLINE.

Article XXI.

COMPLAINTS.

Preliminary Requirement. Section 1. No church discipline shall ensue until the requirements according to the Scriptures, in Matthew, 18 : 15–17, have been strictly obeyed, unless a By-Law governing the case provides for immediate action.

Authority. Sect. 2. The Christian Science Board of Directors has power to discipline, place on probation, remove from membership, or to excommunicate members of The Mother Church. Only the members of this Board shall be present at meetings for the examination of complaints against church members; and they alone shall vote on cases involving The Mother Church discipline.

Members in Mother Church Only. Sect. 3. A complaint against a member of The Mother Church, *if said member belongs to no branch church* and if this complaint is not for *mental malpractice*, shall be laid before this Board, and within ten days thereafter, the Clerk of the Church shall address a letter of inquiry to the member complained of as to the validity of

the charge. If a member is found guilty of that whereof he is accused and his previous character has been good, his confession of his error and evidence of his compliance with our Church Rules shall be deemed sufficient by the Board for forgiveness for once, and the Clerk of the Church shall immediately so inform him. But a second offense shall dismiss a member from the Church.

Removal of Cards. SECT. 4. No cards shall be removed from our periodicals without the request of the advertiser, except by a majority vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors at a meeting held for this purpose or for the examination of complaints.

Members of this Church, who practise other professions or pursue other vocations, shall not advertise as healers, excepting those members who are officially engaged in the work of Christian Science, and they must devote ample time for faithful practice.

Members of Branch Churches. SECT. 5. A member of both The Mother Church and a branch Church of Christ, Scientist, or a Reader, shall not report nor send notices to The Mother Church, or to the Pastor Emeritus, of errors of the

members of their local church; but they shall strive to overcome these errors. Each church shall separately and independently discipline its own members, — if this sad necessity occurs.

Article XXII.

Relation of Members to Pastor Emeritus.

The Title of Mother Changed. Section 1. In the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five, loyal Christian Scientists had given to the author of their textbook, the Founder of Christian Science, the individual, endearing term of Mother. At first Mrs. Eddy objected to being called thus, but afterward consented on the ground that this appellative in the Church meant nothing more than a tender term such as sister or brother. In the year nineteen hundred and three and after, owing to the public misunderstanding of this name, it is the duty of Christian Scientists to drop the word *mother* and to substitute Leader, already used in our periodicals.

Working Against the Cause. Sect. 2. If a member of this Church shall, mentally or otherwise, persist in working against the interests of another member, or the interests of our Pastor Emeritus and the accomplishment of what she understands is advantageous to this Church and

to the cause of Christian Science, or shall influence others thus to act, upon her complaint or the complaint of a member for her or for himself, it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors immediately to call a meeting, and drop forever the name of the member guilty of this offense from the roll of Church membership.

No Unchristian Conduct. SECT. 3. If a member of this Church were to treat the author of our textbook disrespectfully and cruelly, upon her complaint that member should be excommunicated. If a member, without her having requested the information, shall trouble her on subjects unnecessarily and without her consent, it shall be considered an offense.

Not to Learn Hypnotism. SECT. 4. Members of this Church shall not learn hypnotism on penalty of being excommunicated from this Church. No member shall enter a complaint of mental malpractice for a sinister purpose. If the author of SCIENCE AND HEALTH shall bear witness to the offense of mental malpractice, it shall be considered a sufficient evidence thereof.

Reading and Attesting Letters. SECT. 5. When a letter or a message from the Pastor Emeritus is brought before a meeting of this Church, or she is referred to as authority for

business, it shall be the duty of the Church to inquire if all of the letter has been read, and to require all of it to be read; also to have any authority supposed to come from her satisfactorily attested.

Unauthorized Reports. SECT. 6. Members of this Church shall not report on authority an order from Mrs. Eddy that she has not sent, either to the Boards or to the executive bodies of this Church. The Pastor Emeritus is not to be consulted on cases of discipline, on the cases of candidates for admission to this Church, or on the cases of those on trial for dismissal from the Church.

Interpreting Communications. SECT. 7. If at a meeting of this Church a doubt or disagreement shall arise among the members as to the signification of the communications of the Pastor Emeritus to them, before action is taken it shall be the duty of the Clerk to report to her the vexed question and to await her explanation thereof.

Unauthorized Legal Action. SECT. 8. A member of this Church shall not employ an attorney, nor take legal action on a case not provided for in its By-Laws — if said case relates to the person or to the property of Mary Baker

G. Eddy — without having personally conferred with her on said subject.

No Adulterating Christian Science. SECT. 9. A member of this Church shall not publish profuse quotations from Mary Baker G. Eddy's copyrighted works without her permission, and shall not plagiarize her writings. This By-Law not only calls more serious attention to the commandment of the Decalogue, but tends to prevent Christian Science from being *adulterated.*

Opportunity for Serving the Leader. SECT. 10. At the written request of the Pastor Emeritus, Mrs. Eddy, the Board of Directors shall immediately notify a member of this Church to go in ten days to her, and it shall be the duty of the member thus notified to remain with Mrs. Eddy twelve months consecutively, or three years consecutively if Mrs. Eddy requires or requests it. A member, who leaves her in less time without her consent or who is discharged shall be dropped from the Church. Male members, who remain with her three years consecutively, shall be paid semi-annually at the rate of twelve hundred dollars yearly in addition to rent and board. Female members shall receive one thousand dollars annually with rent and board. Those members,

whom she teaches the course in Divinity, and those who remain with her three *consecutive* years, receive the degree of the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, if they are considered by Mrs. Eddy prepared to receive it.

Publications Unjust. SECT. 11. If a member of The Mother Church publishes, or causes to be published, an article that is false or unjust, hence injurious, to Christian Science or to its Leader, and if, upon complaint by another member, the Board of Directors finds that the offense has been committed, the offender shall be suspended for not less than three years from his or her office in this Church and from Church membership.

ARTICLE XXIII.

READERS.

In The Mother Church. SECTION 1. If a Reader in The Mother Church be found at any time inadequate or unworthy, he or she shall be removed from office by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and the consent of the Pastor Emeritus, and the vacancy supplied.

A Reader not a Leader. SECT. 2. The Church Reader shall not be a Leader, but he shall maintain the Tenets, Rules, and discipline of the Church. A Reader shall not be a President of a church.

ARTICLE XXIV.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS.

Honesty Requisite. SECTION 1. No person shall be elected nor remain an Executive Member, against whom another Executive Member brings positive proof of his dishonesty in business or of his dishonest deportment in any department of Christian Science.

Disobedience Dealt With. SECT. 2. If one Executive Member knows that another member is disobeying the above By-Law, it is his duty immediately to tell him his fault, rebuke, and exhort him. Then, if he continue to break the By-Law, a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called within seven days, and his name erased from the list of Executive Members.

Article XXV.

TEACHERS.

Probation. Section 1. For sufficient reasons it may be decided that a teacher has so strayed as not to be fit for the work of a Reader in church or a teacher of Christian Science. Although repentant and forgiven by the Church and retaining his membership, this weak member shall not be counted loyal till after three years of exemplary character. Then the Board of Directors may decide if his loyalty has been proved by uniform maintenance of the life of a consistent, consecrated Christian Scientist.

Misteaching. Sect. 2. If a member of this Church is found trying to practise or to teach Christian Science contrary to the statement thereof in its textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to admonish that member according to Article XXI, Sect. 1. Then, if said member persists in this offense, his or her name shall be dropped from the roll of this Church.

Article XXVI.

MEMBERS.

Departure from Tenets. Section 1. If a member of this Church shall depart from the Tenets and be found having the name without the life of a Christian Scientist, and another member in good standing shall from Christian motives make this evident, a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called, and the offender's case shall be tried and said member exonerated — put on probation or excommunicated.

Violation of By-Laws. Sect. 2. A member, who is found violating any of the By-Laws or Rules herein set forth, shall be admonished in consonance with the Scriptural demand in Matthew, 18 : 15–17; and if he neglect to accept such admonition, he shall be placed on probation, or if he repeat the offense, his name shall be dropped from the roll of Church membership.

Illegal Adoption. Sect. 3. No person shall be a member of this Church, who claims a spiritually adopted child or a spiritually adopted husband or wife. There must be legal adoption and legal marriage, which can be verified according to the laws of our land.

Violation of Christian Fellowship. SECT. 4. Any member, who shall unjustly aggrieve or vilify the Pastor Emeritus or another member, or who does not live in Christian fellowship with members who are in good and regular standing with this Church, shall either withdraw from the Church or be excommunicated.

Formulas Forbidden. SECT. 5. No member shall use written formulas, nor permit his patients or pupils to use them, as auxiliaries to teaching Christian Science or for healing the sick. Whatever is requisite for either is contained in the books of the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science. Sometimes she may strengthen the faith by a written text as no one else can.

Forbidden Membership. SECT. 6. A member of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., shall not be a member of any church whose Readers are not Christian Scientists and members of The Mother Church.

Officious Members. SECT. 7. A member of The Mother Church is not entitled to hold office or read in branch churches of this denomination except by invitation.

Uncharitable Publications. SECT. 8. A member of this Church shall not publish, nor

cause to be published, an article that is uncharitable or impertinent towards religion, medicine, the courts, or the laws of our land.

Legal Titles. SECT. 9. Students of Christian Science must drop the titles of Reverend and Doctor, except those who have received these titles under the *laws* of the *State*.

Practitioners and Patients. SECT. 10. A member of The Mother Church shall not, under pardonable circumstances, sue his patient for recovery of payment for said member's practice, on penalty of discipline and liability to have his name removed from membership. Also he shall reasonably reduce his price in chronic cases of recovery, and in cases where he has not effected a cure. A Christian Scientist is a humanitarian; he is benevolent, forgiving, long-suffering, and seeks to overcome evil with good.

No Incorrect Literature. SECT. 11. A member of this Church shall neither buy, sell, nor circulate Christian Science literature which is not correct in its statement of the divine Principle and rules and the demonstration of Christian Science. Also the spirit in which the writer has written his literature shall be definitely considered. His writings must show strict adher-

ence to the Golden Rule, or his literature shall not be adjudged Christian Science. A departure from the spirit or letter of this By-Law involves schisms in our Church and the possible loss, for a time, of Christian Science.

Endorsing Applications. SECT. 12. A member of The Mother Church shall not endorse nor countersign an application for membership therewith until after the blank has been properly filled out by an applicant. A member who violates this By-Law shall be disciplined.

Privilege of Members. SECT. 13. Members in good standing with The Mother Church, who are members of the faculty, instructors, or students in any university or college, can form and conduct a Christian Science organization at such university or college, provided its rules so permit. Also members in good standing with The Mother Church, who are graduates of said university or college, may become members of the organization by application to, and by the unanimous vote of, the active members present, if the rules of the university or college so permit. When called for, a member of the Board of Lectureship may lecture for said university or college organization.

Church Organizations Ample. SECT. 14. Members of this Church shall not become members of organizations which exclude either sex, — except they are Free Masons, or Press Clubs that give the toil-worn aged Journalists a Home. God requires our whole heart, and He supplies within the wide channels of The Mother Church dutiful and sufficient occupations for all its members.

The Golden Rule. SECT. 15. A member of The Mother Church shall not haunt Mrs. Eddy's drive when she goes out, continually stroll by her house, nor make a summer resort of Concord, N. H., for this purpose.

Private Communications. SECT. 16. A strictly private communication from the Pastor Emeritus to a member of her Church shall not be made public without her written consent.

The Mother Church of Christ, Scientist Tenets. SECT. 17. If a member of The Mother Church of Christ, Scientist, or a member of a Branch of this Church break the rules of its Tenets as to unjust and unmerciful conduct — on complaint of Mrs. Eddy our Pastor Emeritus — and this complaint being found valid his or her name shall be erased from The Mother Church and the Branch Church's list of membership and the offender shall not be received

into The Mother Church or a branch church for twelve years.

Article XXVII.

MUSIC IN THE CHURCH.

Soloist and Organist. Section 1. **The music** in The Mother Church shall be of an appropriate religious character and of a recognized standard of musical excellence. Music from the organ alone should continue about eight or nine minutes for the voluntary and six or seven minutes for the postlude, the offertory conforming to the time required to take the collection. The solo singer shall not neglect to sing any special hymn selected by the Board of Directors.

THE MOTHER CHURCH AND BRANCH CHURCHES.

Article XXVIII.

Local Self-Government. Section 1. The Mother Church of Christ, Scientist, shall assume no general official control of other churches, and it shall be controlled by none other. The general Communion of this Church shall be observed triennially in Boston, Mass., on the second Sunday in June. Its local Communion service shall be held annually at the same date.

Each Church of Christ, Scientist, shall have its own form of government. No conference of churches shall be held, except the triennial conference at The Mother Church, unless it be when our churches, located in the same State, convene to confer on a statute of said State, or to confer harmoniously on individual unity and action of the churches in said State.

Titles. Sect. 2. "The First Church of Christ, Scientist," is the legal title of The Mother Church. Branch churches of The Mother Church may take the title of First Church of Christ, Scientist; Second Church of Christ, Scientist;

and so on, where more than one church is established in the same place; but the article "The" must not be used before titles of branch churches, nor written on applications for membership in naming such churches.

Mother Church Unique. SECT. 3. In its relation to other Christian Science churches, in its By-Laws and self-government, The Mother Church stands alone; it occupies a position that no other church can fill. Then for a branch church to assume such position would be disastrous to Christian Science. Therefore, no Church of Christ, Scientist, shall be considered loyal that has branch churches or adopts The Mother Church's form of government, except in such cases as are specially allowed and named in this Manual.

Tenets Copyrighted. SECT. 4. Branch churches shall not write the Tenets of The Mother Church in their church books, except they give the name of their author and her permission to publish them as Tenets of The Mother Church, copyrighted in SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES.

No Executive Members. SECT. 5. Branch churches shall not organize with Executive Members, that special method of or-

ganization being adapted to The Mother Church alone.

Manual. SECT. 6. Branch churches shall not adopt, print, nor publish the Manual of The Mother Church. See ARTICLE XLII, Sect. 1.

Organizing Churches. SECT. 7. A member of this Church, who obeys its By-Laws and is a loyal exemplary Christian Scientist working in the Field, is eligible to form a church in conformity with Article XXVIII, Sect. 8, and to have church services conducted by reading the SCRIPTURES and the Christian Science textbook. This church shall be acknowledged publicly as a Church of Christ, Scientist. Upon proper application, made in accordance with the rules of The Christian Science Publishing Society, the services of such a church may be advertised in The Christian Science Journal. The branch churches shall be individual, and not more than two small churches shall consolidate under one church government. If the Pastor Emeritus, Mrs. Eddy, should relinquish her place as the head or Leader of The Mother Church of Christ, Scientist, each branch church shall continue its present form of government in consonance with The Mother Church Manual.

Requirements for Organizing Branch Churches. SECT. 8. A branch church of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass., shall not be organized with less than sixteen loyal Christian Scientists, four of whom are members of The Mother Church. This membership shall include at least one active practitioner whose card is published in the list of practitioners in "The Christian Science Journal."

Communion of Branch Churches. SECT. 9. The Communion shall be observed in the branch churches on the second Sunday in January and July of each year, and at this service the Tenets of The Mother Church are to be read.

No Close Communion. SECT. 10. The Mother Church and the branch churches shall not confine their membership to the pupils of one teacher.

No Duplicate Membership. SECT. 11. A member of The Mother Church may be a member of one Branch Church of Christ, Scientist, or of one Christian Science Society holding public services, but he shall not be a member of both.

No Impromptu Meetings. SECT. 12. Neither before nor after the Communion of this Church shall the members immediately hold informal

gatherings for testimonial meetings or receptions in Boston, Mass., or in Concord, N. H. Baptized in the Spirit of Truth and Love, they shall quietly go forth prepared to demonstrate more fully the divine power which heals the sick and the sinner.

Laying a Corner Stone. SECT. 13. No large gathering of people nor display shall be allowed when laying the Corner Stone of a Church of Christ, Scientist. Let the ceremony be devout. No special trowel should be used. (See " Science and Health," page 140.)

Our Church Edifices. SECT. 14. The periodicals of our denomination do not publish descriptions of our church edifices, but they may quote from other periodicals or give incidental narratives.

Church Membership. SECT. 15. Neither the Pastor Emeritus nor a member of this Church shall teach Roman Catholics Christian Science, except it be with the written consent of the authority of their Church. Choice of patients is left to the wisdom of the practitioner, and Mrs. Eddy is not to be consulted on this subject.

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE PUBLISHING SOCIETY.

Article XXIX.

Board of Trustees. Section 1. The Board of Trustees, constituted by a Deed of Trust given by Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy, the Pastor Emeritus of this Church, on January twenty-fifth, 1898, shall hold and manage the property therein conveyed, and conduct the business of "The Christian Science Publishing Society" on a strictly Christian basis, for the promotion of the interests of Christian Science.

Disposal of Funds. Sect. 2. The net profits of the business shall be paid over semi-annually to the Treasurer of The Mother Church. He shall hold this money subject to the order of the Christian Science Board of Directors, which is authorized to order its disposition only in accordance with the By-Laws contained in this Manual.

Vacancies in Trusteeship. Sect. 3. The Christian Science Board of Directors shall have the

power to declare vacancies in said trusteeship, for such reasons as to the Board may seem expedient.

Whenever a vacancy shall occur, the Pastor Emeritus reserves the right to fill the same by appointment; but if she does not elect to exercise this right, the remaining trustees shall fill the vacancy, subject to her approval.

Editors and Manager. SECT. 4. The term of office for the editors and the manager of The Christian Science Publishing Society is one year each, dating from the time of election to the office. Incumbents who have served one year or more can be re-elected, or new officers elected, by a unanimous vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors, and the consent of the Pastor Emeritus given in her own handwriting.

Suitable Employees. SECT. 5. A person, who is not accepted by the Pastor Emeritus and the Christian Science Board of Directors as suitable, shall in no manner be connected with publishing her books, nor with editing or publishing *The Christian Science Journal, Christian Science Sentinel, Der Herold der Christian Science,* nor with The Christian Science Publishing Society.

Periodicals. SECT. 6. Periodicals, which shall at any time be published by The Christian

Science Publishing Society, shall be copyrighted and conducted according to the provisions in the Deed of Trust relating to *The Christian Science Journal.*

Rule of Conduct. SECT. 7. No objectionable pictures shall be exhibited in the rooms where the Christian Science textbook is published or sold. No idle gossip, no slander, no mischief-making, no evil speaking shall be allowed.

Books to be Published. SECT. 8. Only the Publishing Society of The Mother Church selects, approves, and publishes the books and literature it sends forth. If Mary Baker G. Eddy disapproves of certain books or literature, the Society will not publish them. The Committees on Publication are in no manner connected with these functions. A book or an article of which Mrs. Eddy is the author shall not be published nor republished by this Society without her knowledge or written consent.

Obnoxious Books. SECT. 9. A member of this Church shall not patronize a publishing house or bookstore that has for sale obnoxious books.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Article XXX.

ORGANIZATION.

Officers. Section 1. There shall be a Board of Education, under the auspices of Mary Baker G. Eddy, President of the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, consisting of three members, a president, vice-president, and teacher of Christian Science. Obstetrics will not be taught.

Election. Sect. 2. The vice-president shall be elected annually by the Christian Science Board of Directors. Beginning with 1907, the teacher shall be elected every third year by said Board, and the candidate shall be subject to the approval of the Pastor Emeritus.

President not to be Consulted. Sect. 3. The President is not to be consulted by students on the question of applying for admission to this Board nor on their course or conduct. The students can confer with their teachers on subjects essential to their progress.

Presidency of College. SECT. 4. Should the President resign over her own signature or vacate her office of President of the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, a meeting of the Christian Science Board of Directors shall immediately be called, and the vice-president of the Board of Education, being found worthy, on receiving her approval shall be elected to fill the vacancy.

ARTICLE XXXI.

APPLICANTS AND GRADUATES.

Normal Teachers. SECTION 1. Loyal students, who have been taught in a Primary class by Mrs. Eddy and have practised Christian Science healing acceptably three years, and who present such credentials as are required to verify this fact, are eligible to receive the degree of C.S.D.

Qualifications. SECT. 2. Loyal Christian Scientists' pupils who so desire may apply to the Board of Education for instruction; and if they have practised Christian Science healing successfully three years and will furnish evidence of their eligibility therefor, they are eligible to enter

the Normal class. All members of this class must be thorough English scholars.

Certificates. SECT. 3. Students are examined and given certificates by this Board if found qualified to receive them.

ARTICLE XXXII.

ACTION OF THE BOARD.

Sessions. SECTION 1. The term of the Massachusetts Metaphysical College will open with the Board of Education on the first Wednesday of December. The sessions will continue not over one week. None but the teacher and members of the College class shall be present at the sessions, and no Primary classes shall be taught under the auspices of this Board.

Special Instruction. SECT. 2. Not less than two thorough lessons by a well qualified teacher shall be given to each Normal class on the subject of mental practice and *malpractice.* One student in the class shall prepare a paper on said subject that shall be read to the class, thoroughly discussed, and understood; this paper

shall be given to the teacher, and he shall not allow it or a copy of it to remain, but shall destroy this paper.

Signatures. SECT. 3. The signature of the teacher and of the President of the College shall be on all certificates issued.

Remuneration and Free Scholarship. SECT. 4. Tuition of class instruction in the Board of Education shall be $75.00. The bearer of a card of free scholarship from the President, Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy, shall be entitled to a free course in this department on presentation of the card to the teacher. Only the President gives free admission to classes.

Surplus Funds. SECT. 5. Any surplus funds left in the hands of the Board of Education shall be paid over annually to the Treasurer of The Mother Church.

Primary Students. SECT. 6. Students of Christian Science, duly instructed therein and with good moral records, not having the certificate of C.S.D. may enter the Normal class in the Board of Education, which will be held once in three years beginning A. D. 1907; provided their diplomas are for three *consecutive* years under Mrs. Eddy's daily conversation on

Christian Science, or from the Massachusetts Metaphysical College Board of Education.

Healing Better than Teaching. SECT. 7. Healing the sick and the sinner with Truth demonstrates what we affirm of Christian Science, and nothing can substitute this demonstration. I recommend that each member of this Church shall strive to demonstrate by his or her practice, that Christian Science heals the sick quickly and wholly, thus proving this Science to be all that we claim for it.

If both husband and wife are found duly qualified to teach Christian Science, either one, not both, should teach yearly one class.

Not Members of the Mother Church. SECT. 8. No person shall receive instructions in Christian Science in any class in the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, nor receive the degree of C.S.B. or C.S.D., who is not a member of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS.

Article XXXIII.

ORGANIZATION AND REGULATION.

Qualification of Members. Section 1. There shall be an Association of Teachers consisting of loyal Christian Scientists who have certificates of the C.S.B. or C.S.D. degree, or of both, from the faculty of the Massachusetts Metaphysical College or Board of Education. Said Association of Teachers shall be established in the United States, Canada, Germany, in London, England, and Edinburgh, Scotland.

Meetings. Sect. 2. The meetings of this Association in the United States shall be held triennially, and in alternate order, first in Boston, second in Chicago, third in New York City. A member shall not report what is said or done in these meetings.

The session of the General Association of Teachers may be held two days, closing daily not later than 6 p. m. The main topics for dis-

cussion are, *unity of action*, strict conformity to The Mother Church By-Laws and to the contents of the chapter on Teaching Christian Science in SCIENCE AND HEALTH.

Organization Required. SECT. 3. This Association shall be organized with an Executive Board of twelve members of The Mother Church. Seven members thereof shall be teachers of Christian Science, and five members shall form a quorum. Only members who present their names and credentials of membership at the door shall be admitted to the private business meetings of this Association. A two-thirds vote of the Executive Board shall elect or dismiss a member from the General Association of Teachers, but a member shall not be dismissed without the written consent of the Pastor Emeritus. If dismissed, a member shall no longer be regarded as a teacher of Christian Science. A member can only be reinstated by a unanimous vote of this Board and strict compliance with the rules of the General Association of Teachers.

Uniformity in Teaching and Practice Required. SECT. 4. If one or more of the pupils either of a Normal class teacher or of a Primary class teacher shall practise differently from the others, and so depart from the theory and practice which they have been taught, this departure shall be noted and discussed Christianly at the

meeting of this Association, and then acted upon by this body of teachers. The rule of uniformity in the teaching and practice of Christian Science shall be strictly adhered to by both teacher and pupil. If a pupil persists in disobeying this rule, his name shall be dropped from the membership of the General Association of Teachers. And if a teacher, after being admonished, continues to disobey said rule, he shall be dismissed from this Association.

Conduct of Members. SECT. 5. If an application for membership in the General Association of Teachers is rejected, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Executive Board to notify the applicant, but neither the Secretary nor Board shall be obliged to report the cause therefor. The members of this Board shall neither report the business transactions of the Board, nor what is said during its meetings.

The Executive Board shall elect a new chairman each year. His duties shall be to preside at the meetings of the Executive Board and at the sessions of the General Association of Teachers.

Admission of Members. SECT. 6. The General Association of Teachers shall not admit to its membership students who are not members of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

BOARD OF LECTURESHIP.

Article XXXIV.

ORGANIZATION AND DUTIES.

Election. Section 1. This Church shall maintain a Board of Lectureship, the members of which shall be elected annually on the Monday preceding the Annual Meeting, subject to the approval of the Pastor Emeritus. The lecture year shall begin July 1 of each year.

Duty of Lecturers. Sect. 2. It is the duty of the Board of Lectureship to include in each lecture a true and just reply to public topics condemning Christian Science, and to bear testimony to the facts pertaining to the life of the Pastor Emeritus. Each member shall mail to the Clerk of this Church copies of his lectures before delivering them.

No Disruption of Branch Churches. Sect. 3. The Board of Lectureship is not allowed in anywise to meddle with nor to disrupt the organiza-

tion of branch churches. The lecturer can invite churches within the city whither he is called to unite in their attendance on his lecture, and so make for their churches a less lecture fee; but the churches shall decide their action.

Receptions. SECT. 4. As a rule there should be no receptions nor festivities after a lecture on Christian Science, but there may occur exceptions. If there be an individual who goes to hear and deride truth, he should go away contemplating truth; and he who goes to seek truth should have the opportunity to depart in quiet *thought* on that subject.

ARTICLE XXXV.

CALLS FOR LECTURES.

From the Directors. SECTION 1. When the need is apparent, the Christian Science Board of Directors of The Mother Church may call on any member of this Board of Lectureship to lecture at such places and at such times as the cause of Christian Science demands.

From Branch Churches. SECT. 2. The branch Churches of Christ, Scientist, may apply through their clerks to a member of this Board

of Lectureship for a speaker, and one shall be assigned them by the Board.

From Societies. SECT. 3. If called for, a member of the Board may lecture for a Society.

Annual Lectures. SECT. 4. The Mother Church and the branch churches shall call on the Board of Lectureship annually for one or more lectures.

No Lectures by Readers. SECT. 5. No lecture shall be given by a Reader during his term of readership. The duties alone of a Reader are ample.

No Wednesday Evening Lectures. SECT. 6. The Board of Lectureship shall not appoint a lecture for Wednesday evening.

Lecture Fee. SECT. 7. The lecture fee shall be left to the discretion of the lecturer.

Expenses. SECT. 8. The lecturer's traveling expenses and the cost of hall shall be paid by the church that employs him.

Exceptional Cases. SECT. 9. If a lecturer receive a call to lecture in a place where he sees there is special need, and the local church is unable to meet the expense, he is at liberty to supply that need and trust to contributions for his fee.

MISSIONARIES.

Article XXXVI.

Election. Section 1. The Christian Science Board of Directors shall annually elect not less than three experienced, competent Christian Scientists for missionary work in Boston, Mass.

Compensation. Sect. 2. While these students are performing missionary labor, they shall receive suitable wages, and the money thus appropriated shall be drawn from contributions to the Church or from the annual Church fund.

Help. Sect. 3. If the author of the Christian Science text-book call on this Board for household help or a handmaid, the Board shall immediately appoint a proper member of this Church therefor, and the appointee shall go immediately in obedience to the call. "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me." (Matt. 10 : 37.)

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

Article XXXVII.

In The Mother Church. Section 1. There shall be appointed by The Mother Church a Committee on Publication, which shall consist of one loyal Christian Scientist who lives in Boston, and he shall be manager of the Committees on Publication throughout the United States and Canada. He shall be elected annually by a unanimous vote of the Christian Science Board of Directors and the consent of the Pastor Emeritus given in her own handwriting, and shall receive an annual salary, paid quarterly, of not less than four thousand dollars.

Duties. Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Publication to correct in a Christian manner impositions on the public in regard to Christian Science, injustices done Mrs. Eddy or members of this Church by the daily press, by periodicals or circulated literature of any sort. This Committee on Publication shall be respon-

sible for correcting or having corrected a false newspaper article which has not been replied to by other Scientists, or which has been forwarded to this Committee for the purpose of having him reply to it. If the correction by the Committee on Publication is not promptly published by the periodical, in which it is desirable that this correction shall appear, this Committee shall immediately apply for aid to the Committee on Business. Furthermore, the Committee on Publication shall read the *last proof sheet* of such an article and see that it is published according to copy; he shall circulate in large quantities the papers containing such an article, sending a copy to the Clerk of the Church. It shall also be the duty of the Committee on Publication to have published each year in a leading Boston newspaper the letter sent to the Pastor Emeritus by the Church members in annual meeting assembled. The State Committees on Publication act under the direction of this Committee on Publication.

In Branch Churches. SECT. 3. The Readers of the three largest branch churches in each State of the United States and in Canada shall annually and alternately appoint a Committee on Publi-

cation to serve in their localities. Each county of Great Britain and Ireland, through the Readers of its three largest branch churches, shall annually and alternately appoint a Committee on Publication to serve in its locality. Each church is not necessarily confined to its own members in selecting this Committee, but if preferred, can appoint a Committee on Publication, who is in good fellowship with another Church of Christ, Scientist.

This By-Law applies to all States except Massachusetts, in which the Committee on Publication is elected only by the Christian Science Board of Directors.

Appointment. SECT. 4. The Committees on Publication shall consist of men generally. Each State Committee shall be appointed by the First and Second Readers of the church employing said Committee. If prior to the meeting of the church for the election of officers, Mrs. Eddy shall send to the First Reader of the church the name of a candidate for its Committee on Publication, the Readers shall appoint said candidate. Or if she shall send a special request to any Committee on Publication, the request shall be carried out according to her directions.

Removal from Office. SECT. 5. If the Committee on Publication neglects to fulfil the obligations of his office according to these By-Laws, and this becomes apparent to the Christian Science Board of Directors, it shall be the duty of the Directors immediately to act upon this important matter in accordance with said By-Laws.

The Christian Science Board of Directors may notify any Church of Christ, Scientist, to remove its Committee on Publication and to appoint another Committee to fill the vacancy; and it shall be the duty of that church to comply with this request. In such cases it shall be the privilege of this Board to name the Committee if it so desires, and any Committee so named by the Board shall be elected by the branch church.

Case of Necessity. SECT. 6. If a suitable man is not obtainable for Committee on Publication, a suitable woman shall be elected. If at any time the Christian Science Board of Directors shall determine that the manager of the general Committee on Publication needs an assistant, the Board shall, with the approval of the Pastor Emeritus, appoint an assistant manager, who shall receive an adequate salary from The Mother Church.

READING ROOMS.

Article XXXVIII.

Establishment. Section 1. Each church of the Christian Science denomination shall have a reading room, though two or more churches may unite in having reading rooms, provided these rooms are well located.

Librarian. Sect. 2. The individual who takes charge of the Reading Room of The Mother Church shall be elected by the Trustees of The Christian Science Publishing Society, subject to the approval of Mary Baker G. Eddy. He or she shall have no bad habits, shall have had experience in the Field, shall be well educated, and a devout Christian Scientist.

Mrs. Eddy's Rooms. Sect. 3. The temporary custodians of Mrs. Eddy's rooms shall be appointed with her consent.

MARRIAGE AND DECEASE.

Article XXXIX.

A Legal Ceremony. Section 1. If a Christian Scientist is to be married, the ceremony shall be performed by a clergyman who is legally authorized.

Sudden Decease. Sect. 2. If a member of the Mother Church shall decease suddenly, without previous injury or illness, and the cause thereof be unknown, an autopsy shall be made by qualified experts.

DEBATING IN PUBLIC.

Article XL.

No Unauthorized Debating. Section 1. A member of this Church shall not debate on Christian Science in public debating assemblies, without the consent of the Board of Directors.

CHURCH-BUILDING.

Article XLI.

Building Committee. Section 1. There shall be a Building Committee consisting of not less than three members, and this committee shall not be dissolved until the new Church edifice is completed. This Committee shall elect, dismiss, or supply a vacancy of its members by a majority vote.

Designation of Deeds. Sect. 2. All deeds of further purchases of land for The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., shall have named in them all the trusts mentioned in the deeds given by Mr. Albert Metcalf and Mr. E. Noyes Whitcomb, March, 1903. Also there shall be incorporated in all deeds for land for said Church the phrase "Mary Baker G. Eddy's Church, The Mother Church or The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass."

The Mother Church Building. Sect. 3. The edifice erected in 1894 for The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., shall neither be demolished, nor removed from the site where it was built, without the written consent of the Pastor Emeritus, Mary Baker G. Eddy.

CHURCH MANUAL.

ARTICLE XLII.

For The Mother Church Only. SECTION 1. The Church Manual of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., written by Mary Baker G. Eddy and copyrighted, is adapted to The Mother Church only. It stands alone, uniquely adapted to form the budding thought and hedge it about with divine Love. This Manual shall not be revised without the written consent of its author.

Fifty-seventh Edition the Authority. SECT. 2. The Board of Directors, the Committee on Bible Lessons, and the Board of Trustees shall each keep a copy of the fifty-seventh edition and of subsequent editions of the Church Manual; and if a discrepancy appears in any revised edition, these editions shall be cited as authority.

Amendment of By-Laws. SECT. 3. No new Tenet or By-Law shall be adopted, nor any Tenet or By-Law amended or annulled, without the written consent of Mary Baker G. Eddy, the author of our text-book, SCIENCE AND HEALTH.

Appendix.

Appendix.

Special Instructions.

Regarding Applications for Church Membership.

1. Loyal members of the Mother Church are eligible to approve candidates to unite with this Church.

2. No persons are eligible to countersign applications except loyal students of Mrs. Eddy, Directors, Executive Members, and students of the Board of Education who have been given a degree, and are members of the Mother Church.

3. Those who approve applicants should have applications returned to them after being filled out by the applicants, as required by Article XXVI, Sect. 12, and should compare them with the forms here given, and see that names are legibly written, before sending them to the Clerk of the Church. If not correct, the applicant will be notified, and new applications will

be required, as none will be returned that are not correctly made out. This requirement is to prevent applications being duplicated and the confusion that might result therefrom. It is important that these seemingly strict conditions be complied with, as the names of the members of the Mother Church will be recorded in the history of the Church and become a part thereof.

4. All names, whether of applicants, signers, or countersigners, must be plainly written, and one, at least, of the given names of each, written in full. Initials only of first names will not be received. Women must sign Miss or Mrs. before their names as the case may be.

All names must be written the same in all places where they are required.

TO APPLICANTS.

1. In filling out the application blank, one of the Christian names must be written in full. Initials alone will not be received.

2. If the applicant is a married woman she must sign her own Christian name, not her husband's, and prefix her signature with "Mrs;" unmarried women must sign "Miss."

3. There are two regular forms of application. 1. For those who have studied Christian Science with an authorized teacher; 2. For those who have not studied Christian Science with a teacher.

Applicants will find the chief points of these instructions illustrated in Form 1 and Form 2, on pages 112 and 116.

4. Those whose teachers are deceased, absent, or disloyal, or those whose teachers refuse, without sufficient cause, to sign applications (see Art. VIII, Sect. 4), will be furnished special forms on application to the Clerk.

5. When branch churches are designated by number, as First Church, Second Church, etc., the number must be written First, Second, as shown on page 116. The article "the" either capitalized (The), or small (the), must not be used before titles of branch churches. See Article XXVIII, Sect. 2.

6. If the applicant is not a member of a branch church, he should fill out his application in this respect according to the form on page 114.

Application forms.

APPLICATION.

I.

PROPERLY SIGNED AND ENDORSED, ACCORDING TO ARTICLE VIII, SECT. 2.

FORM 1

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., is designed to be built on the rock of Christ — Truth and Life — and to reflect the Church Triumphant.

One who is not a member of any church, excepting a branch church of Christ, Scientist, who loves Christian Science, and reads understandingly the Bible, and SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, by Reverend Mary Baker G. Eddy, and other works by this author, and who is Christianly qualified and can enter into full fellowship with the Tenets and Rules of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., is eligible to membership.

To The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

William B. Johnson, C.S.D., Clerk.

I hereby make application for membership, and subscribe to the Tenets and the By-Laws of the Church.

My teacher in Christian Science is

.....*James B. Brown, C.S.D.*.....

If you have been taught by a loyal student who has taken a degree at the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, or by one who has passed an examination by the Board of Education, fill this blank.

APPLICATION.

I. — (*Continued.*)

PROPERLY SIGNED AND ENDORSED, ACCORDING TO ARTICLE VIII, SECT. 2.

FORM 1, — (*Continued.*)

I am not a member of any church.

Yours in Truth and Love,

Name.....*Mrs. Jennie W. Field, C.S.*.....

Street and Number.....*18 Forest St.*,.....

Town or City.....*Chicago*,.....

State.....*Ill.*.....

Date.....*Jan. 2nd, 1901.*.....

I cordially approve the applicant.

(*a*).....*James B. Brown, C.S.D.*.....

Countersigned by.....

DO NOT DETACH.

TO THE APPLICANT:

Please fill out the following for the use of the Treasurer of the Church:

Name.....*Mrs. Jennie W. Field, C. S.*,.....

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APPLICATION.

II.

SIGNED, ENDORSED, AND COUNTERSIGNED, ACCORDING TO ARTICLE IX, SECT. 2.

If you have not been taught by a loyal student who has taken a degree at the Massachusetts Metaphysical College, or by one who has passed an examination by the Board of Education, fill this blank.

FORM 2.

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To The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

William B. Johnson, C.S.D., Clerk.

I hereby make application for membership, and subscribe to the Tenets and the By-Laws of the Church. I have not studied Christian Science with a teacher, and am not a member of any church excepting *Second* Church of Christ, Scientist, at *New York, N. Y.*

Yours in Truth and Love,

APPLICATION.

II. — (*Continued.*)

SIGNED, ENDORSED, AND COUNTERSIGNED, ACCORDING TO ARTICLE IX, SECT. 2.

FORM 2, — (*Continued.*)

Name ..... *Miss Emma L. French* .....

Street and Number ..... *293 Emerson St.,* .....

Town or City ..... *New York* .....

State ..... *N. Y.* .....

Date ..... *Jan. 2nd, 1901.* .....

I cordially approve this applicant.

(*a*) ..... *Miss Mary E. Grant, C.S.* .....

Countersigned by ..... *James B. Brown, C.S.D.* .....

DO NOT DETACH.

TO THE APPLICANT:

Please fill out the following for the use of the Treasurer of the Church:

Name ..... *Miss Emma L. French* .....

Street and Number ..... *293 Emerson St.* .....

Town or City ..... *New York* .....

State ..... *N. Y.*

Present Order of Services in the Mother Church.

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

1. Organ Voluntary.

2. Hymn.

3. Reading a Scriptural Selection.

4. Silent Prayer, followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation.

5. Hymn.

6. Announcing necessary notices.

7. Solo.

8. Reading the explanatory note on first leaf of *Quarterly.*

9. Announcing the subject of the Lesson-Sermon, and reading the Golden Text.

10. Reading the Scriptural selection, entitled "Responsive Reading," alternately by the First Reader and the congregation.

11. Reading the Lesson-Sermon. (After the Second Reader reads the BIBLE references of the first Section of the Lesson, the First Reader makes the following announcement: "As announced in the explanatory note, I shall now read correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, by Mary Baker G. Eddy.")

12. Collection.

13. Hymn.

14. Reading "The scientific statement of being," and the correlative SCRIPTURE according to 1 John, 3: 1–3.

15. Pronouncing Benediction.

The order of Sunday service is sometimes varied by the singing of a selection immediately after the organ voluntary.

On the first Sunday of each month, except on Communion Day, Article XX, Section 1, *A Rule for Motives and Acts,* is to be read.

COMMUNION SERVICES.

1. Organ Voluntary.

2. Hymn.

3. Reading a Scriptural Selection.

4. Silent Prayer, followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation.

5. Hymn.

6. Announcing necessary notices.

7. Reading Tenets of the Mother Church.

8. Collection and Solo.

9. Reading the explanatory note on first leaf of *Quarterly*.

10. Announcing the subject of the Lesson-Sermon, and reading the Golden Text.

11. Reading the Scriptural selection entitled "Responsive Reading" alternately by the First Reader and the congregation.

12. Reading the Lesson-Sermon. (After the Second Reader reads the BIBLE references of the first Section of the Lesson, the First Reader makes the following announcement: "As an-

nounced in the explanatory note, I shall now read correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES, by Mary Baker G. Eddy.")

13. The First Reader briefly invites the congregation to kneel in silent Communion. This is concluded by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer (spiritual interpretation omitted).

14. Singing the Doxology:

> "Be Thou, O God, exalted high;
> And as Thy glory fills the sky,
> So let it be on earth displayed,
> Till Thou art here and now obeyed."

15. Reading "The scientific statement of being" and the correlative SCRIPTURE according to 1 John, 3: 1–3.

16. Pronouncing Benediction.

This is the order of service at the Mother Church. The branch churches shall adopt this form of service; and the members of this Church shall not assemble at the residence of the Pastor Emeritus at or about the time of its Annual Meeting and Communion season. The Church Tenets shall be read at the Communion service in the branch churches.

Thanksgiving Day.

Order of Service for the Mother Church *and Branch Churches.*

1. Organ Voluntary.

2. Hymn.

3. Reading the Thanksgiving Proclamation of the President of the United States, or the Governor of the state, or both.

4. Reading a Scriptural Selection.

5. Silent Prayer, followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation.

6. Hymn.

7. Reading the Explanatory Note on the first leaf of the *Quarterly*.

8. Announcing the subject of the Lesson-Sermon, and reading the Golden Text.

9. Responsive Reading by the First Reader and the congregation.

10. Reading the Lesson-Sermon prepared by the Bible Lesson Committee.

11. Solo.

12. Testimonies by Christian Scientists, appropriate for the occasion.

13. Hymn.

14. Reading the Scientific Statement of Being, and the correlative Scripture according to 1 John, 3: 1, 2, 3.

15. Pronouncing Benediction.

16. Organ Voluntary.

No collection is to be taken at this service.

WEDNESDAY MEETINGS.

1. Organ Prelude.

2. Hymn.

3. Reading from the BIBLE, and correlative passages from SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES.

4. Silent Prayer, followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer, its spiritual interpretation being omitted.

5. Hymn.

6. Announcing necessary notices.

7. Experiences, testimonies, and remarks on Christian Science.

8. Closing Hymn.

Deed of Trust.

The following is a Copy of the Deed of Trust Conveying Land for Church Edifice.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS,

That I Mary Baker G. Eddy of Concord in the County of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire in consideration of one dollar to me paid by Ira O. Knapp of Boston, Massachusetts, William B. Johnson of Boston, Massachusetts, Joseph S. Eastaman of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and Stephen A. Chase of Fall River, Massachusetts, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and, also in consideration of the trusts and uses hereinafter mentioned and established, do hereby give, bargain, sell, and convey to the said Ira O. Knapp, William B. Johnson, Joseph S. Eastaman, and Stephen A. Chase as trustees as hereinafter provided and to their legitimate successors in

office forever, a certain parcel of land situate on Falmouth street in said Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the junction of Falmouth street, and a forty-foot street now called Caledonia street; thence running Southwest on said Falmouth street one hundred and sixteen and eighty-eight hundredths feet; thence Northwest at a right angle to a point where a line drawn at right angles to said forty-foot street at a point thereon one hundred and sixteen and fifty-five hundredths feet Northwest from the point of beginning meets the said boundary at right angles to Falmouth street, sixty-six and seventy-eight hundredths feet; thence at an obtuse angle on said line at right angles to said forty-foot street sixty-seven and thirty-five hundredths feet to said forty-foot street; thence Southeasterly on said forty-foot street one hundred and sixteen and fifty-five hundredths feet to the point of beginning; containing seven thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight square feet more or less, and subject to the agreements and restrictions mentioned in a deed recorded in Suffolk Registry of Deeds Lib. 1719, Fol. 83 so far as the same are now legally operative.

This deed of conveyance is made upon the following express trusts and conditions which the said grantees by accepting this deed agree and covenant for themselves and their successors in office to fully perform and fulfil.

1. Said grantees shall be known as the "Christian Science Board of Directors," and shall constitute a perpetual body or corporation under and in accordance with section one, Chapter 39 of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts.[1] Whenever a vacancy occurs in said Board the remaining members shall within thirty days fill the same by election; but no one shall be eligible to that office who is not in the opinion of the remaining members of the Board a firm and consistent believer in the doctrines of Christian Science as taught in a book entitled "SCIENCE AND HEALTH," by Mary Baker G. Eddy beginning with the seventy-first edition thereof.

[1] The deacons, church wardens, or other similar officers of churches or other religious societies, and the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal churches appointed according to the discipline and usages thereof, shall, if citizens of this commonwealth, be deemed bodies corporate for purpose of taking and holding in succession all the grants and whether of real or personal estate, made either to them and ors, or to their respective churches, or to the poor of the

2. Said Board shall within five years from the date hereof build or cause to be built upon said lot of land a suitable and convenient church edifice, the cost of which shall not be less than fifty thousand dollars.

3. When said church building is completed said Board shall elect a pastor, reader or speaker to fill the pulpit who shall be a genuine Christian Scientist; they shall maintain public worship in accordance with the doctrines of Christian Science in said church, and for this purpose they are fully empowered to make any and all necessary rules and regulations.

4. Said Board of Directors shall not suffer or allow any building to be erected upon said lot except a church building or edifice, nor shall they allow said church building or any part thereof to be used for any other purpose than for the ordinary and usual uses of a church.

5. Said Board of Directors shall not allow or permit in said church building any preaching or other religious services which shall not be consonant and in strict harmony with the doctrines and practice of Christian Science as taugh explained by Mary Baker G. Eddy in the s

first edition of her book entitled "SCIENCE AND HEALTH," which is soon to be issued, and in any subsequent edition thereof.

6. The congregation which shall worship in said church shall be styled "The First Church of Christ, Scientist."

7. Said Directors shall not sell or mortgage the land hereby conveyed; but they shall see that all taxes and legal assessments on said property are promptly paid.

8. Said church building shall not be removed from said lot except for the purpose of rebuilding thereon a more expensive or a more convenient structure in which said doctrines of Christian Science only shall be preached and practised. If said church building is removed for either of the purposes above set forth, any and all tablets and inscriptions which are or shall be upon said church building at the time of removal shall be removed therefrom and placed upon the walls of the new edifice. If said building is burned, the Directors shall forthwith proceed to rebuild the church.

9. Said Directors shall maintain regular preaching, reading or speaking in said church

on each Sabbath, and an omission to have and maintain such preaching, reading or speaking for one year in succession shall be deemed a breach of this condition.

10. Whenever said Directors shall determine that it is inexpedient to maintain preaching, reading or speaking in said church in accordance with the terms of this deed, they are authorized and required to reconvey forthwith said lot of land with the building thereon to Mary Baker G. Eddy, her heirs and assigns forever by a proper deed of conveyance.

11. The omission or neglect on the part of said Directors to strictly comply with any of the conditions herein contained shall constitute a breach thereof, and the title hereby conveyed shall revert to the grantor Mary Baker G. Eddy, her heirs and assigns forever, upon her entry upon said land and taking possession thereof for such breach.

To Have and to Hold the above granted premises with all the privileges and appurtenances thereon belonging to said grantees and their successors in office to the uses and trusts above described forever.

And the said grantor for herself and her heirs, executors and administrators covenants with the said grantees and their successors in office that she is lawfully seized in fee simple of the aforesaid premises, that they are free from all incumbrances not herein mentioned or referred to, that she has good right to sell and convey the same to the said grantees and their successors in office as aforesaid, and that she will and her heirs, executors, and administrators shall, warrant and defend the same to the said grantees and their successors in office forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

In witness whereof I the said Mary Baker G. Eddy have hereto set my hand and seal this 1st day of September, 1892.

MARY BAKER G. EDDY

Signed, sealed, and delivered in presence of

LAURA E. SARGENT.
R. E. WALKER.

September 1st, 1892.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, } ss.
MERRIMACK. }

Then personally appeared the above named Mary Baker G. Eddy and acknowledged the

foregoing instrument to be her free act and deed,

Before me

R. E. WALKER.
Notary Public.

September 2, 1892.

SUFFOLK REGISTRY OF DEEDS, Lib. 2081, Fol. 257.

Deed Conveying Land for Church Purposes.

METCALF *to* KNAPP *et al Trs.*
Libro 2886, Fol. 521.

KNOW ALL MEN,

That I, Albert Metcalf, the grantor in a certain deed given to Ira O. Knapp and others dated October 23, 1896, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 2591, page 398, do hereby declare that the land conveyed by said deed was conveyed to the grantees therein, as they are the Christian Science Board of Directors, upon the trusts, but not subject to the conditions mentioned in the deed creating said Board given by Mary Baker G. Eddy to Ira O. Knapp and others, dated September 1st, 1892, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 2081, page 257. In addition to the trusts contained in said deed of September 1, 1892, from Mary Baker G. Eddy,

this property is conveyed on the further trusts that no new Tenet or By-Law shall be adopted, nor any Tenet or By-Law amended or annulled by the grantees unless the written consent of said Mary Baker G. Eddy, the author of the textbook "SCIENCE AND HEALTH WITH KEY TO THE SCRIPTURES," be given therefor, or unless at the written request of Mrs. Eddy the Executive Members of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, (formerly called the "First Members,") by a two-thirds vote of all their number, decide so to do. And that the same inscription which is on the outside of the present church edifice shall be placed on any new church erected on said lot. And in consideration of one dollar to me paid by said Ira O. Knapp, William B. Johnson, Joseph Armstrong and Stephen A. Chase, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby confirm the deed as above mentioned, and do grant and release unto them, their heirs, successors and assigns in trust as aforesaid, the premises therein described.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of March, A. D. nineteen hundred and three.

ALBERT METCALF. [Seal]

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, SUFFOLK } *ss.* MARCH 20th, 1903.

Then said Albert Metcalf acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed.

Before me

MALCOLM MCLOUD.
Justice of the Peace.

MARCH 20, 1903, at twelve o'clock and sixteen minutes P. M. Received, Entered and Examined.

Attest: THOS. F. TEMPLE, *Reg.*

A true copy from the RECORDS OF DEEDS for the COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, Lib. 2886, Fol. 521.

Attest: CHAS. W. KIMBALL, *Asst. Reg.*

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